(In crores of Rs.)

1986 -87	216.43
1987-88	190.87
1988-89	169.73
1989-90	262.99
1990-91	191.65

(c) Some of the long term measures planned are computerisation of Post Offices, improvement of SPEED POST in order to generate more revenue, cutting down of costs and increase earning.

[*Translation*]

Head Post Offices in districts of Bihar.

1721. SHRI SIMON MARANDI: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) the names of the districts in Bihar where Head Post Officers have been opened;

(b) the names of the districts where Head Post Offices have not yet been opened; and

(c) the time by which Head Post Offices are likely to be opened in all the District Headquarters, particularly in Sahibganj?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI P.V. RANGAYYA NAIDU): (A) 1. Aurangabad 2. Banka 3. Begusarai 4. Bettiah 5. Bhagalpur 6. Bhojpur 7. Biharsarif 8. Bokaro 9. Buxur 10. Chalbasa 11. Daltonganj 12. Darbhanga 13. Deoghar 14. Dhanbad 15. Dumka 16. Gaya 17. Giridih 18. Gopalganj 19. Gumla 20. Hajipur 21. Hazaribag 22. Jamshedpur 23. Katihar 24. Madhubani 25. Motihari 26. Munger 27. Muzaffarpur 28. Gawada 29. Patna 30. Purnea 31. Ranchi 32. Sasaram 33. Saran 34. Saharsa 35. Samastipur 36. Sitamarhi 37. Siwan.

(b) 1. Araria 2. Bhabua 3. Garhwa 4. Godda 5. Jamui 6. Jehanabad 7. Khagaria 8. Kishanganj 9. Lohardaga 10. Madhepura 11. Sehebganj 12. Supaul.

(c) There is no justification for opening of Head Post Office at Sahibganj as per departmental norms. No time limit can be fixed for the opening of Head Post Offices in the remaining districts.

Eratic Power supply in Bihar

1722. SHRI SIMON MARANDI: Will the Minister of Power and NON-CONVENTIONAL ENERGY SOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) whether power is supplied to Sahibganj, Santhal-Pargana of Bihar by N.T.P.C. Centre located in Farraka;

(b) whether the power supply in this area particularly in three hill areas of Pakur, Sahibganj and Barharvan is erratic very irregular; and

(c) if so, the steps taken by the government to ensure regular power supply for atleast fifteen hours per day in these areas?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF POWER NON-CONVENTIONAL ENERGY SOURCES (SHRI KALP NATH RAI): (a) to (c) Power from various Central Generating Stations, including the NTPC's Power Station at Farakka, is fed into the regional grids from where it gets distributed amongst the various beneficiary States/ Systems as per their respective shares. While various measures are taken to improve the availability of power to Bihar, including assistance from the Central Generating Sta-